

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please insert the following paragraph at page 13, before line 25:

Another aspect of the present invention is a toner container containing the toner composition described above.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 28, line 10, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The percentage of THF-insoluble components in the binder resin of the toner of the present invention is preferably from 1 to 30 % by weight, and more preferably from 2 to 30 % by weight, based on the total weight of the binder resin to impart a good combination of hot offset resistance and low temperature fixability to the resultant toner. Namely, when the percentage of THF-insoluble components is too low, the resultant toner has poor hot offset resistance. In contrast, when the percentage is too large, the toner has poor low temperature fixability. The binder resin may comprise tetrahydrofuran-insoluble components in an amount of from 1 to 15 % by weight based on total weight of the binder resin.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 30, line 18, with the following rewritten paragraph:

As the detector, a refractive index (RI) detector is used. The tetrahydrofuran-soluble components of the modified polyester resin and the unmodified polyester resin may have a number average molecular weight of from 2,000 to 15,000.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 48, line 15, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The toner of the present invention preferably includes an external additive. The external additive is present at least on a surface of the toner particles.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 70, line 21, with the following rewritten paragraph:

**Manufacturing Example 15** (Preparation of master batch)

The following components were mixed with a HENSCHTEL MIXER ~~Henschel mixer~~.

Water	1200
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Carbon black	540
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(PRINTEX 60, manufactured by Degussa A.G.)

The second binder resin (1)	1200
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The mixture was kneaded for 45 minutes at 130 °C by a two-roll mill and crushed by a pulverizer after cooling, to prepare a master batch (1) having a particle diameter of 1 mm.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 105, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

One hundred (100) parts of each toner were mixed with 0.7 parts of a hydrophobic silica and 0.3 parts of a hydrophobic titanium oxide using a HENSCHTEL MIXER ~~Henschel mixer~~ to prepare a toner composition. The properties of the toner compositions are described in Table 3.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 115, line 23, with the following rewritten paragraph:

**Manufacturing Example 40** (Preparation of master batch)

The following components were mixed with a HENSCHEL MIXER ~~Henschel mixer~~ manufactured by Mitsui Mining Co., Ltd.

Water	1200
Carbon black	800
Polyester resin	800

The mixture was kneaded for 30 minutes at 150 °C by a two-roll mill and crushed by a pulverizer after cooling to prepare a master batch (21).

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 116, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

**Manufacturing Example 41** (Preparation of master batch)

The following components were mixed with a HENSCHEL MIXER ~~Henschel mixer~~ manufactured by Mitsui Mining Co., Ltd.

Water	1200
C.I. Pigment Yellow 180	800
Polyester resin	800

The mixture was kneaded for 30 minutes at 150 °C by a two-roll mill and crushed by a pulverizer after cooling to prepare a master batch (22).

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 116, line 16, with the following rewritten paragraph:

**Manufacturing Example 42** (Preparation of master batch)

The following components were mixed with a HENSCHEL MIXER ~~Henschel mixer~~ manufactured by Mitsui Mining Co., Ltd.

Water	1200
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Cu-phthalocyanine 15:3	800
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Polyester resin	800
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The mixture was kneaded for 30 minutes at 150 °C by a two-roll mill and crushed by a pulverizer after cooling to prepare a master batch (23).

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 116, line 26, with the following rewritten paragraph:

**Manufacturing Example 43** (Preparation of master batch)

The following components were mixed with a HENSCHTEL MIXER ~~Henschel mixer~~ manufactured by Mitsui Mining Co., Ltd.

Water	1200
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C.I. Pigment Red 122	800
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Polyester resin	800
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The mixture was kneaded for 30 minutes at 150 °C by a two-roll mill and crushed by a pulverizer after cooling to prepare a master batch (24).

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 147, line 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

One hundred (100) parts of each of the thus prepared toners were mixed with 0.7 parts of a hydrophobic silica and 0.3 parts of a hydrophobic titanium oxide using a HENSCHTEL MIXER ~~Henschel mixer~~ to prepare toner compositions. The properties of the toner compositions are described in Table 5.